



Mowbray School

North Yorkshire County Council



Dear Parent/Carer

Sunday 21st May 2017

As always school is a very busy place, with so many wonderful activities taking place in school, the best way to follow school is via our **facebook** page <https://www.facebook.com/mowbrayschool/>

This coming week a group of Year 6 Primary pupils are going on a residential trip to **Cober Hill**, I will keep posting updates and photographs of the trip on our **facebook** page, so do follow what they are up to through this. At the beginning of May a group of secondary pupils spent six nights on a sailing ship called the **Faramir**, sailing up the east coast from Lowestoft to Hartlepool on the North Sea, from all accounts it was quite an adventure, the seas were rough and many suffered from seasickness, many thanks to all the staff and the brave pupils for sticking it out.

The **new teaching block** is now fully in use and several primary classes have been relocated into larger classrooms vacated by the move to the new block by secondary pupils, this has also resulted in several primary classes having considerably fewer children in them. The new teaching block has a calm room, which will be in use from Monday and a sensory circuit room, aimed at helping address the sensory needs of some of our pupils with autism. I very much look forward to seeing the benefits of these new facilities on the development and learning of our pupils. The teaching block will be formally opened this Wednesday 24th May by our Chair of Governors, Mr Robert Dunning, in recognition of all he does for school. Parents will have an opportunity to see this at our next parents evening in June.

I would like to thank parents for completing the online survey about the effectiveness of **2Build a Profile** reports which we email out to parents each half term. Though we have been using this system for over two years, many other schools do not have systems such as this, to help keep parents informed as to their child's learning. By analysing your responses from the survey, we aim to improve the content of the reports and how they are used to further develop how we can work with you to meet your child's learning needs.

We have again had a few children and staff suffering with sickness this past week. We ask that parents respect our policy, if a child has either been vomiting or had diarrhoea, that they are kept off school for 48 hours after the last episode. We apply this rule to both staff and pupils and this we believe helps reduce the risk of others catching it. I know that this can cause parents inconvenience, however we do this because it is best for the child, other children and staff, sadly on a few occasions this is not supported.

As a reminder, next month we are holding our termly parents evening on Thursday 15th June 2017 from 5pm to 8pm, details will be sent out by Heads of the Primary and Secondary department in the near future. I hope that you have all managed to download **OurSchoolsapp**, the link for this is on our website <http://www.mowbrayschool.co.uk/> and is very useful in sharing information about school with you.

As always, if you have concern regarding school, then please contact staff at school and if I can be of assistance do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Tearle, Headteacher